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OF THE

FIFTY-FIRST ANNUAL CONVENTION

OF THE

Evangelical Lutheran Synod

AND

MINISTERIUM

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MINUTES OF SYNOD.

St. Luke's Church,
Newberry County, S. C., October 14th, 1875.

In accordance with the resolution of adjournment, adopted at its last meeting, the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of South Carolina, and adjacent States, met in St. Luke's Church, Newberry County, S. C., on Thursday, October 14th, 1875, and began the sessions of its *Fifty-first* Annual Convention.

The Synodical sermon was preached by the retiring President, Rev. H. S. Wingard, from I. Cor. i., 23, 24.

FIRST SESSION.

11 o'clock, A. M.

Synod was opened by the President, according to our established order. The Secretary called the roll, and made the following registry:

MINISTERS.	ORDAINED.	POSTOFFICE.
Rev. Edwin A. Bolles	1835	Columbia, S. C.
" D. P. Camman*	1835	Augusta, Ga.
" J. H. Honour	1836	Charleston, S. C.
" S. Bouknight	1838	Leesville, S. C.
" C. F. Bansemer*	1842	Savannah, Ga.
" D. Shealy	1844	Rockville, S. C.
" J. H. Bailey	1846	Lexington, S. C.
" E. Dufford†	1848	Fort Motte, S. C.
" J. P. Smeltzer, D. D.	1848	Walhalla, S. C.
" E. Caughman	1849	Leesville, S. C.
" A. W. Lindler	1850	Leesville, S. C.
" J. F. Probst	1850	Walhalla, S. C.
" J. H. W. Wertz	1852	Fort Motte, S. C.

*Absent.
†Absent and excused.

MINISTERS.	ORDAINED.	POSTOFFICE.
Rev. B. F. Berry†	1854	Midway, S. C.
" W. S. Bowman, D. D	1856	Charleston, S. C.
" Paul Derrick	1858	Leesville, S. C.
" T. W. Dosh, D. D.	1858	Charleston, S. C.
" H. W. Kuhns	1858	Newberry, S. C.
" J. H. C. Schierenbeck‡	1855	
" B. Kreps	1860	Midway, S. C.
" J. D. Bowles	1861	Prosperity, S. C.
" J. D. Shirey	1861	Newberry, S. C.
" J. A. Sligh	1863	Prosperity, S. C.
" A. D. L. Moser	1863	Prosperity, S. C.
" G. W. Holland	1864	Walhalla, S. C.
" D. Kyser	1867	Lexington, S. C.
" S. T. Hallman	1868	Orangeburg, S. C.
" H. S. Wingard	1870	Prosperity, S. C.
" G. A. Hough	1871	Orangeburg, S. C.
" C. P. Boozer*	1871	Springfield, Ga.
" Z. W. Bedenbaugh	1874	Columbia, S. C.
" S. S. Rahn	1874	Pomaria, S. C.
" E. A. Wingard‖	1875	Columbia, S. C.
" J. B. Haskell‖	1875	Charleston, S. C.
" L. Muller, D. D §		Charleston, S. C.
" A. R. Rude, D. D.†		

LAY DELEGATES.	POSTOFFICE.
Capt. G. S. Hacker	Charleston, S. C.
Mr. John A. Bedenbaugh	Prosperity, S. C.
" J. A. Moyer	Johnson, S. C.
" J. I. Ranch	Prosperity, S. C.
" J. D. Keller§	Orangeburg, S. C.
" C. Ehrhardt	Midway, S. C.
" Junius E. Chapman	Newberry, S. C.
" A. J Younginer	Lexington, S. C.
" E. A. Rawl	Rocky Well, S. C.
" Jacob Setzler	Pomaria, S. C.

†Absent and excused.
‡Suspended.
*Dismissed to Georgia Synod.
§Absent.
‖Ordained at present meetings.
†Absent.

LAY DELEGATES.	POSTOFFICE.
Mr. ADAM BERLEY	Martin's Depot, S. C.
" D. I. EPTING	Pine Ridge, S. C.
" W. J. BOOKHARDT	Lewisville, S. C.
" DAVID KIBLER	Prosperity, S. C.
" S. L. SMITH	Countsville, S. C.
" J. HAZELIUS BAILEY	Lexington, S. C.

MEMBERS EX-OFFICIO.

Maj. P. E. WISE	*Treasurer of Synod.*
Mr. J. F. SCHIRMER	*Treasurer of Seminary Fund.*
" U. B. WHITES	*Treasurer of Missionary Fund.*
" O. L. SCHUMPERT	*Treasurer of Endowment Fund.*
" T. W. HOLLOWAY	*Treasurer of Widow's Fund.*

Mr. E. Crout was received as a Commissioner from Union Church, Lexington County, S. C.

The President then read his Annual Report, which was received, and held for reference to the proper committee:

PRESIDENT'S REPORT.

DEAR BRETHREN: Grace be unto you, and peace from God our Father, and from our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, and from the Holy Ghost. Amen.

Another year has passed, and, by the blessing of God, we are permitted to assemble in Synodical Convention. Let us meet in the fear and love of God, with hearts overflowing with gratitude for His many mercies to us; and in humility and faith invoke the aid of His Holy Spirit in the transaction of our business.

I.—DEATH.

On the 19th of February last, our beloved brother in Christ, Rev. J. B. Lowman, was, in the midst of life, called to his reward. His energy, faithfulness, and zeal in his Master's work deserve to be remembered. It will, therefore, be the duty of Synod to have prepared and published suitable resolutions to his memory.

II.—VACANCIES SUPPLIED.

The following charges, vacant at the last meeting of Synod, have been supplied as follows: Columbia, by Rev. Z. W. Bedenbaugh; Orangeburg, by Rev. G. A. Hough; Pastorate, No. 2, by Rev. S. T. Hallman; No. 3, by Rev. J. H. W. Wertz; No. 4, by

*Absent and excused.

Rev. J. H. Bailey; No. 9, by Rev. L. Bedenbaugh; No. 10, by Rev. S. S. Rahn; St. John's (Calk's Road,) by Rev. A. W. Lindler.

III.—INSTALLATIONS.

January 17th—Rev. S. T. Hallman, Pastorate No. 2, by Rev. H. W. Kuhns; Rev. J. H. W. Wertz, Pastorate No. 3, by Rev W. S. Bowman, D. D.; Rev. S. S. Rahn, Pastorate No. 10, by Rev. G. W. Holland.

May 23d—Rev. G. A. Hough, Orangeburg, by Rev. W. S. Bowman, D. D.

IV.—CHARGES VACANT.

Pastorate No. 6, has been vacant since the resignation of Rev. J. H. W. Wertz. At the request of the Councils of the various Churches composing this charge, and because there seemed no likelihood of their securing a pastor sooner than the approaching Synodical year, I permitted them to be supplied as follows: Union, by Rev. D. Kyser; Salem, by Rev. S. Bouknight; Good Hope, by Rev. E. Caughman. The charge is still vacant.

Pastorate No. 7, was made vacant by the resignation of Rev. P. Derrick, which, occasioned by his continued ill health, took place on the 15th of May last. At the request of the joint Council of the charge, the Churches have been supplied as follows: St. Mark's, by Rev. J. A. Sligh; Corinth, by Rev. J. D. Bowles; Trinity, occasionally by the members of Synod. This charge is making efforts to secure a pastor, but is still vacant.

I learn through the *Visitor* that *Orangeburg* is vacant, Rev. G. A. Hough having resigned. By his resignation, we suppose the Church at Graniteville, which has been under his charge for a while, is again vacant.

The German Lutheran Church in Walhalla was made vacant by the resignation of Rev. J. H. C. Shierenbeck. Rev. J. F. Probst has occasionally preached for them since that time.

V.—MINISTERS RECEIVED.

Revs. S. S. Rahn and J. F. Probst have deposited their dismissals from their respective Synods, with me. I have recognized them as members of this Synod, and herewith submit their credentials for your approval.

VI.—LITERARY INSTITUTIONS.

Newberry College is in a prosperous condition. As the Secretary of the Board of this institution will furnish Synod with a report of its condition and prospects, we will allude to it no further, feeling that this body is alive to the importance of this school.

The *Theological Seminary* is still in a prosperous condition. It has in attendance this session eleven students. Messrs. J. B. Haskell and E. A. Wingard, graduates of this institution, will apply to this body for ordination during the present session.

On page 14, minutes of the last meeting of Synod, there is a resolution providing for a committee to confer with the Committee of the General Synod to procure a charter for the Seminary. The names of this committee not appearing in the minutes, I appointed Rev. W. S. Bowman, D. D., Captain G. S. Hacker, and Jacob Schirmer, Esq., as that committee. In the meantime I addressed a letter to the committee at Salem, informing them of the appointment of this committee, and asking them to stay action until they should hear from it.

VII.—GENERAL SYNOD.

The regular biennial meeting of this body will be held in Staunton, Va., in May next. It will be necessary for you to elect delegates to this Convention.

VIII.—MISSION WORK.

On the 23d of November last, at the suggestion of the Executive Committee of the Missionary Society, I granted to Rev. J. F. Probst a certificate of his appointment as Superintendent of Missions for the Synod of South Carolina. Since that time he has been laboring with zeal among our scattered brethren. A report of his work will be laid before this body. We trust Synod will not abandon this feature of our mission work.

IX.—BIBLE DISTRIBUTION.

Our esteemed brother, Rev. Edwin A. Bolles, has been actively engaged in distributing the Word of God throughout our State. We bespeak for him the hearty sympathy and co-operation of this body.

X.—DISCIPLINE.

Having received very reliable information that Rev. J. C. H. Schierenbeck had been guilty of conduct unbecoming a minister of the Gospel, I addressed him a letter July 23d, suspending him from the office of the ministry, and summoning him to appear at this meeting of Synod for trial. With this report I submit some evidence taken in the case, also a letter from this brother.

XI.—HONORABLE DISMISSION.

On the 24th of last September, I granted to Rev. C. P. Boozer an honorable dismission from this body, to enable him to unite with the Synod of Georgia at its approaching convention.

XII.—SUGGESTIONS.

1st. That Synod define more clearly the method of receiving ministers into this body during its interim, when they bring with them credentials from other Lutheran bodies.

2d. That it define the method of procedure against a minister, who is neither a pastor of a congregation nor a member of a Conference.

CONCLUSION.

And now, dear brethren, thankful for your consideration, I return to you the trust committed to me, invoking upon you and your deliberations the blessing of Heaven.

H. S. WINGARD,
President of the Synod of S. C.,
And adjacent States.

Synod adjourned for one hour.

Prayer by Rev. S. Bouknight.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

2 o'clock P. M.

Synod reassembled, and was opened with prayer by Rev. J. A. Sligh.

The annual election for officers was now entered into and resulted as follows:

President.—Rev. J. A. Sligh.
Vice President.—Rev. J. H. Honour.
Recording Secretary.—Rev. S. T. Hallman.
Corresponding Secretary.—Rev. J. D. Shirey.
Treasurer of Synod.—Maj. P. E. Wise.
Treasurer of Seminary Fund.—Mr. J. F. Schirmer.
Treasurer of Widow's Fund.—Mr. T. W. Holloway.
Treasurer of Missionary Fund.—Mr. U. B. Whites.
Treasurer of Endowment Fund.—Mr. O. L. Schumpert.

Rev. J. Austin, of the Georgia Synod, and Rev. S. Rothrock, of the North Carolina Synod, were then introduced and received as Corresponding Delegates from said bodies. They presented the fraternal greetings of the Synods to which they belong, which were responded to by the President of Synod.

Letters and documents intended for Synod were called for, to be placed in the hands of the proper committees.

It was then

Resolved, That 9 o'clock Saturday morning be set apart for considering the College question.

The report of Rev. H. W. Kuhns, Corresponding Secretary of Synod, was read, adopted and held for reference to a committee.

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY'S REPORT.

Your Corresponding Secretary is required to report all matters pertaining to his office. In accordance with such requirement I make the following report:

I. During the year I received copies of the minutes of the Georgia Synod and the South West Virginia Synod, and returned to the Corresponding Secretaries of said Synods copies of the minutes of our last Convention. These minutes are herewith submitted for such action as Synod may deem advisable.

II. As required by resolution at the last meeting of Synod, I wrote to all persons whose address I could find out, who had received aid from Synod in the prosecution of their studies for the Ministry, but who from choice and inclination are not now in the active Ministry of our Church, and requested them to refund to us the money thus loaned them. I received replies from two of these persons, and herewith place at your disposal their correspondence.

III. Bro. L. E. Busby, one of our beneficiaries, in a recent letter, asks me to lay his claims before Synod, and urge the redemption of promises made to him. His letter is placed at your disposal, with the assurance that Synod will sustain her honor, and redeem her pledge to this young brother.

IV. I received a letter of a private character asking aid from "the widow's fund." As I cannot act officially in a private capacity, I place the letter at your disposal, with the request that no name be published unless relief can be granted.

H. W. KUHNS, *Corresponding Secretary.*

Rev. E. Caughman, Corresponding Delegate to the North Carolina Synod, made the following report, which was received and adopted:

REPORT OF THE DELEGATE TO THE NORTH CAROLINA SYNOD.

In the providence of God, your Delegate was permitted to attend the Seventy-second Convention of the North Carolina Synod, at St. John's Church, Cabarras County, N. C., April 28th, 1875. I was cordially received by that body, and assured of their continued fraternal feelings towards us. The meeting was one of much interest and importance, and a source of pleasure to your Delegate. I had the pleasure of meeting with

my old acquaintances in the ministry, who are nearing the promised reward, as well as a number of young brethren, who bid fair to be faithful workers in the Lord's vineyard.

Rev. S. Rothrock was appointed Delegate to this Synod, and it is with pleasure that your Delegate finds him present.

My expenses were $16.50, which I donate to Synod.

E. CAUGHMAN.

For the donation of Rev. E. Caughman, a vote of thanks was tendered him.

Rev. J. P. Smeltzer, D. D., read his report, as Treasurer of Newberry College, which was received, to be referred to the proper Committee.

Rev. H. S. Wingard, Corresponding Delegate, elect, to the Virginia Synod, made the following report, which was adopted:

REPORT OF CORRESPONDING DELEGATE TO VIRGINIA SYNOD.

Circumstances prevented your Delegate to the Synod of Virginia from attending the late meeting of that body. He, however, addressed them a letter of fraternal greetings, expressing the earnest desire of this body for their prosperity.

Respectfully submitted. H. S. WINGARD,
Corresponding Delegate to Virginia Synod.

Rev. H. W. Kuhns, Corresponding Delegate, elect, to the Mississippi Synod, made the following report, which was adopted:

REPORT OF DELEGATE TO MISSISSIPPI SYNOD.

Having been elected at our last Convention, Corresponding Delegate to the Mississippi Synod, I opened correspondence with Rev. John J. Miller. His letter is herewith submitted, from which we learn that they regard our Synod as their maternal ancestor and are anxious to open friendly correspondence with our Synod. The Mississippi Synod meets at the same time that our Synod meets. Brother Miller states that if a change in the time of their meeting could be effected, he would notify me. Having received no notice of such change, I suppose no change was made, which is the cause of my not attending the meeting of their Synod. I presented the fraternal greetings of our Synod, which, it is hoped, will be as gratefully received as they are kindly intended.

H. W. KUHNS,
Delegate to Mississippi Synod.

On motion, it was

Resolved, That Synod hold its Sessions daily, from 9 to 11 o'clock, A. M., and from 1 to 4 o'clock, P. M. Devotional exercises to be held at 11 o'clock, A. M.

Adjourned. Prayer by Rev. W. S. Bowman, D. D.

SECOND SESSION.

FRIDAY, 9 O'CLOCK A. M.

Synod met and was opened with singing, and prayer by Rev. A. W. Lindler.

The Secretary called the roll, and the Minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

Rev. J. H. Bailey's delegate presented his certificate, and was enrolled a member of Synod.

Rev. L. Bedenbaugh, of the Georgia Synod, and Messrs. E. A. Wingard and J. B. Haskell, graduates of the Theological Seminary, were introduced and invited to seats as advisory members.

The President announced the following Standing Committees:

1. *President's Report.*—Revs. W. S. Bowman, D. D., Edwin A. Bolles, and Maj. P. E. Wise.

2. *Minutes of Last Synod.*—Revs. H.W. Kuhns, A. D. L. Moser, and Mr. Adam Berley.

3. *Letters No. 1 and 2 and Corresponding Secretary's Report.*—Revs. H. S. Wingard, E. Caughman, and O. L Schumpert, Esq.

4. *Letters No. 3 and 4.*—Revs. A. W. Lindler, S. Bouknight, and Mr. J. A. Bedenbaugh.

5. *Letter No. 5.*—Rev. J. H. Bailey, and Messrs. T. W. Holloway, and U. B. Whites.

6. *Letters No. 6 and 9.*—Revs. Z. W. Bedenbaugh, P. Derrick, and Mr. D. I. Epting.

7. *Letters No. 7 and 8.*—Revs. Edwin A. Bolles, A. D. L. Moser, and Mr. C. Ehrhardt.

8. *State of Religion.*—Revs. T. W. Dosh, D. D., P. Derrick, and Mr. J. I. Ranch.

9. *Report of Treasurer of Synod.*—Messrs. G. S. Hacker, C. Ehrhardt, and Jacob Setzler.

10. *Report of Treasurer of Seminary.*—Messrs. Junius E. Chapman, S. L. Smith, and David Kibler.

11. *Report of Treasurer of Endowment Fund.*—Messrs. U. B. Whites, J. A. Moyer, and A. I. Younginer.

12. *Missionary Fund.*—Messrs. T. W. Holloway, D. I. Epting, and Adam Berley.

13. *Report of College Treasurer.*—Messrs. O. L. Schumpert, P. E. Wise, and S. L. Smith.

14. *Widow's Fund.*—Messrs. J. F. Schirmer, E. A. Rawl, and W. J. Bookhardt.

15. *Pastoral Districts.*—Revs. J. D. Shirey, J. H. W. Wertz, and B. Kreps.

16. *Appropriations.*—Revs. G. A. Hough, S. Bouknight, and D. Kyser.

17. *Reports of Conferences.*—Rev. J. H. Honour, Z. W. Bedenbaugh, and D. Shealy.

18. *Applications for Ordination.*—Revs. J. P. Smeltzer, T. W. Dosh, W. S. Bowman, H. W. Kuhns, and J. F. Probst.

Rev. S. T. Hallman, Corresponding Delegate to Georgia Synod, read the following Report, which was adopted:

REPORT OF CORRESPONDING DELEGATE TO SYNOD OF GEORGIA.

It was the pleasure of your Delegate to meet with the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Georgia and adjacent States, at its fifteenth Annual Convention, held in Mount Pilgrim Church, Coweta County, Ga., October 29th–31st, 1874. His reception by that body was of the most cordial nature, and earnest assurances of their continued fraternal feelings and good will towards this body were given. Their deliberations were characterized by a spirit of Christian harmony and love, and of devotion to the cause of the Master. They are earnestly and zealously engaged in the work of cultivating the Lord's vineyard, and his work is prospering in their hands.

Rev. J. Austin was appointed Corresponding Delegate, to meet with us at our present Session.

My necessary expenses were $16.40.

Respectfully submitted. S. T. HALLMAN.

Mr. J. F. Schirmer read the report of the Special Committee, appointed to investigate the finances of Newberry College, which report was laid on the table for consideration on to-morrow.

Rev. J. A. Sligh read his report, as Secretary of the Board of Trustees of Newberry College, which was received and laid on the table for consideration on to-morrow.

Rev. H. W. Kuhns offered the following, which was adopted:

Having given notice a year ago, according to the requirement of the Constitution of Synod, for the "striking out" of the word "*male*" in Article 3, page 2, of the Constitution, therefore

Resolved, That the word "*male*" be stricken out in said Article.

On motion, it was

Resolved, That a Special Committee be appointed, of which Rev. J. F. Probst shall be Chairman, to revise the heads of columns in Parochial Table, and report the changes needed.

Committee: Revs. J. F. Probst, A. W. Lindler, and Mr. T. W. Holloway.

Parochial reports were called for, which, in connection with a report on the State of Religion, were read by the different Pastors.

Pending the reading of Parochial Reports, Synod adjourned with prayer by Rev. S. Rothrock, for divine service.

Sermon by Rev. S. Rothrock, Corresponding Delegate from the North Carolina Synod, from Prov. 3: 6.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

1 o'clock, P. M.

Synod was called to order, and opened with prayer by Rev. D. Kyser.

The reading of Parochial Reports, and Reports on the State of Religion, was resumed.

Mr. T. W. Holloway was appointed Assistant Secretary of Synod.

It was then

Resolved, That the educational sermon be preached on Monday, at 11 o'clock, A. M.

Revs. G. W. Holland and S. S. Rahn appeared.

The following report was read, received, and adopted:

Report of Committee on Letters Nos. 1 and 2, and Corresponding Secretary's Report.

Your Committee on Corresponding Secretary's report would offer the following:

As the business referred to in this report is in the hands of committees, we simply recommend its adoption.

Letters Nos. 1 and 2 are also referred to this committee. We recommend that they be read before Synod, that they may take such steps as are deemed advisable.

Respectfully submitted,

H. S. WINGARD,
E. CAUGHMAN,
O. L. SCHUMPERT.

It was

Resolved, That the letter of Mr. Whittle be referred to the Corresponding Secretary of Synod.

The following Report from Rev. Prof. S. A. Repass, of the Theological Seminary, was read by Rev. W. S. Bowman, D. D., received, adopted, and referred to the following committee: Revs. T. W. Dosh, D. D., G. W. Holland, and Mr. Adam Berley.

Theological Seminary.

During the past session of the Seminary there were *four* students in regular attendance upon instruction. Of this number two, Messrs. E. A. Wingard, and J. B. Haskell, of South Carolina, sustained satisfactory examination before the Committee of the Board and were granted certificates of graduation. These are the first graduates of the institution since its removal to its present location.

The present session opened September 2nd. There are now *eleven* students in regular attendance, of which number, *nine* were entered the present session. These have all enjoyed excellent preparatory advantages, and by devotion to study and Christian work give promise of great usefulness.

The States represented in the Seminary, with the number of students from each, are the following: Virginia, *seven;* South Carolina, *two;* North Carolina, *one;* Tennessee, *one.*

The agency constituted by the Board of Directors for endowing a Chair in the Seminary, is being vigorously and successfully prosecuted under Messrs. Wingard and Haskell. It is sincerely hoped that the Church will cheerfully and generously respond to this appeal. We believe that an enterprise so imperative in its claims, and sanctified by prayer and earnest Christian effort cannot fail. The Lord of the harvest is calling laborers. Will not the Church heed the indications by preparing the way for their coming?

The attention of District Synods has been directed to the necessity of providing permanently for meeting the expenses of the Seminary class-room. These expenses (fuel, and keeping room in order) aggregate annually $30 to $35. Partial neglect of this during the past session, necessitated the payment of $15.00 from my private funds. District Synods can best determine their proportion of these annual expenses.

S. A. REPASS, *Theological Professor.*

Synod adjourned, with prayer by Rev. J. Austin.

THIRD SESSION.

SATURDAY, 9 O'CLOCK, A. M.

Synod met, and was opened with singing and prayer by Rev. J. P. Smeltzer, D. D.

The roll was called, and minutes of yesterday read and approved.

Mr. O. L. Schumpert read the following report, which was received and adopted :

J. P. SMELTZER, TREASURER, IN ACCOUNT WITH BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF NEWBERRY COLLEGE.

I. SESSION OF 1873 AND 1874.

Cash on hand		$ 57 35
Received from O. L. Schumpert, Esq		335 00
" " Scholarships		206 00
" " Tuition		42 65
" " State		6 75
		$647 75
Paid Professor D. Arrington	$197 21	
" " E. J. Dreher	158 91	
" " J. P. Smeltzer	257 28	
Cash in Treasurer's hands	34 35	
	$647 75	
Balance due Professors for the year ending July 1st, 1874		34 00

II. SESSION OF 1874 AND 1875.

Received from Tuition		$631 52
" " Scholarships		674 35
" " O. L. Schumpert, Esq		479 00
" " State		164 65
		$1,949 52
Paid Professor D. Arrington	$446 09	
" " G. W. Holland	447 34	
" " E. J. Dreher	339 59	
" " J. P. Smeltzer	557 62	
" Incidental Expenses	66 56	
Cash in Treasurer's hands	92 32	
	$1,949 52	
Balance due Professors for the year ending July 1st, 1875		$1,250 48

Respectfully submitted, J. P. SMELTZER,
Treas. of Board of Trustees.

The Committee to whom was referred the report of Rev. J. P. Smeltzer, D. D., in account with the Board of Trustees of Newberry College, beg to state that they have examined said report, find the same correct and accompanied with proper vouchers for moneys expended.

Respectfully submitted,

O. L. SCHUMPERT,
P. E. WISE,
S. L. SMITH. } *Committee.*

The Report of the Special Committee on Finances of Newberry College, was, on motion, taken up, and the following adopted:

Resolved, That the Report be adopted, with the omission of the suggestion concerning the employment of a book-keeper.

The Special Committee to whom was referred the duty of making a general investigation into the whole subject of the management and disbursement of the finances of Newberry College, beg leave to submit their report.

The committee held its sessions in the city of Charleston, and were furnished such books, vouchers, and papers, as were in the possession of Rev. Dr. J. P. Smeltzer, President of the College, and acting Treasurer, who also appeared before the Committee, and rendered them efficient aid in the premises.

After mature deliberation, the committee reached the conclusion, that it is at this late date impossible to prepare from the unsatisfactory material at their command, such a full statement as is desired. As to whether there have been misappropriations of the funds or not, the committee could form no opinion, from the fact that no such examination as would justify the formation of any opinion could be made; but they are inclined to believe that if discrepancies do exist in the transactions of the past, the legal proceedings now pending or contemplated, are better calculated to bring them to light than the investigations of this or any other committee.

From the cursory examination given to the finances of the College during the years in which Rev. Dr. Smeltzer, as Treasurer, largely controlled them, your committee is of opinion that their management during that period as appears from the books and papers is entirely satisfactory.

Your committee ask to be discharged.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM UFFERHARDT,
JOHN F. FICKEN,
LOUIS SHERFESEE.

October 12th, 1875.

Rev. J. I. Miller, Corresponding Delegate from the Virginia Synod, appeared and, on motion, was received. Brother Miller,

in a most pleasing and happy address, presented the "heartfelt and fraternal greetings" of the Virginia Synod, which was responded to by the President, and Revs. T. W. Dosh, D.D., J. P. Smeltzer, D. D., H. W. Kuhns, and W. S. Bowman, D. D.

Synod adjourned, for divine service, with prayer by Rev. J. I. Miller.

At 11 o'clock, Rev. S. T. Hallman, preached the Missionary Sermon, from Revelation, xiv., 6.

The following members were received:

Life Member Missionary Society.

Rev. J. F. Probst, by Revs. J. P. Smeltzer, D. D., W. S. Bowman, D. D., J. A. Sligh, and Mr. O. L. Schumpert.

Annual Members of the Missionary Society.

Rev. J. H. Honour	$1 00	Mr. D. C. Boozer	1 00
Rev. Saml. Bouknight	1 00	Mr. Junius E. Chapman	1 00
Rev. A. W. Lindler	1 00	Mr. Jacob F. Schirmer	1 00
Rev. J. Austin	1 00	Mrs. A. E. Boinest	1 00
Rev. S. S. Rahn	1 00	Mrs. Rikard	1 00
Mrs. Sam'l Bouknight	1 00	Mrs. Lula C. Bedenbaugh	1 00
Mrs. A. W. Lindler	1 00	Rev. Z. W. Bedenbaugh	1 00
Mr. J. A. Bedenbaugh	1 00	Miss Vida Bedenbaugh	1 00
Mr. Adam Berly	1 00	Miss Mary L. Schirmer	1 00
Mr. J. H. Boozer	1 00	Mr. Bachman Boinest.	1 00
Rev. E. Caughman	1 00	Mr. B. F. Nichols	1 00
Mrs. Ann Caughman	1 00	Mr. T. J. Boozer	1 00
Mr. T. D. Buzhardt	1 00	Mr. J. B. Dennis	1 00
Mr. David Rikard	1 00	Mrs. J. B. Dennis	1 00
Mr. J. C. Dominick	1 00	Mr. A. H. E. Scheck	1 00
Rev. J. D. Bowles	1 00	Rev. J. H. W. Wertz	1 00
Mrs. M. C. Bowles	1 00	Rev. D. Kizer	1 00
Mr. F. I. Gates	1 00	Rev. D. Sheely	1 00
Mr. G. D. Rast	1 00	Rev. B. Kreps	1 00
Rev. L. Bedenbaugh	1 00	Rev. A. D. L. Moser	1 00
Rev. P. Derrick	1 00	Mrs. L. C. Wertz	1 00
Rev. C. P. Boozer	1 00	Mrs. E. A. Kreps	1 00
Miss Phœbe C. Dennis	1 00	Mrs. Mary A. Kearse	1 00
Master Willie R. Hough	1 00	Mr. C. Erhhardt	1 00
Mr. S. L. Smith	1 00	Mr. Jacob Setzler	1 00
Mr. J. F. Wingard	1 00	Mr. W. J. Bookhardt	1 00
Rev. J. H. Bailey	1 00	Mr. A. J. Younginer	1 00
Mr. E. A. Rawle	1 00	Mr. F. S. Paysinger	1 00
Dr. L. B. Folk	1 00	Rev. Edwin A. Bolles	1 00
Mr. T. C. Hunter	1 00	Rev. W. S. Bowman	1 00

Rev. J. A. Sligh	1 00
Mrs. J. A. Sligh	1 00
Mrs. S. M. B. Wright	1 00
Capt. G. S. Hacker	1 00
Mrs. M. E. Hall	1 00
Mrs. M. Long	1 00
Mrs. T. W. Holloway	1 00
Mr. T. W. Holloway	1 00
Rev. J. Bachman Haskell	1 00
Miss Jennie B. Haskell	1 00
Mrs. Eliza Harris	1 00
Mrs. R. H. Bernhard	2 00
M. R. Pugh	1 00
J. C. Pugh	1 00
Rev. H. W. Kuhns	1 00
Rev. T. W. Dosh, D. D.	1 00
Mr. J. I. Rauch	1 00
Mr. A. Hawkins	1 00
Mr. J. S. Derrick	1 00
Mr. D. I. Epting	1 00
Mr. H. W. Dominick	1 00
Rev. H. S. Wingard	1 00
Mr. David Kibler	1 00
Mr. H. S. Boozer	1 00
Mrs. H. S. Boozer	1 00
P. E. Wise	1 00
Mrs. P. E. Wise	1 00
L. S. Bowers	1 00
Mrs. L. S. Bowers	1 00
U. B. Whites, (by Rev. J. F. Probst)	1 00
Mrs. U. B. Whites	1 00
Dr. W. T. McFall	1 00
Miss Corrie McFall	1 00
A. H. Wheeler	1 00
Mrs. A. H. Wheeler	1 00
J. W. Bowers	1 00
Miss Mamie Moffett	1 00
G. A. Moffett	1 00
J. L. Wise	1 00
Miss Mollie Bobb	1 00
F. M. Bowers	1 00
W. A. Moseley	1 00
Miss Mattie Beacham	1 00
Miss Prudence Hawkins	1 00
Miss Eugenia Fellers	1 00
Total Ann'l Members	$106 00

CONGREGATIONAL CONTRIBUTIONS.

Rev. W. S. Bowman's Church	$20 00
Rev. J. D. Bowles' charge	15 35
Rev. J. H. Bailey's (Sandy Run)	6 60
Rev. D. Kizer's charge	3 75
Rev. S. Bouknight's charge	3 00
Rev. G. A. Hough's charge	3 60
Rev. J. D. Shirey's (Beth Eden)	10 00
Rev. J. D. Shirey's (Liberty Hlll)	4 00
Rev. J. D. Shirey's (St. Mattthew's)	2 00
Rev. Z. W. Bedenbaugh's charge	10 00
Rev. J. H. Wertz's charge	10 25
Rev. A. W. Lindler's charge	2 65
Rev. H. W. Kuhns' charge	20 00
Rev. L. Bedenbaugh's charge	34 80
Rev. J. A. Sligh's charge	15 00
Rev. S. T. Hallman's charge	28 00
Rev. B. Kreps' charge	5 50
Rev. T. W. Dosh's charge	25 00
Total	$219 50
Total Annual Members	106 00
" Life Members	20 00
" Sundry Contributions	12 21
Whole amount received at Synod	$357 71

AFTERNOON SESSION.

1 o'clock, P. M.

Synod reassembled and engaged in the services preparatory to the Lord's Supper, led by Rev. J. D. Shirey.

Synod was called to order, and began the transaction of Missionary business.

Rev. H. W. Kuhns read the report of the Executive Committee on Missions, which was, on motion, received, considered by items, and adopted as a whole.

Report of the Executive Committee on Missions.

In accordance with the action of Synod, your Committee employed Rev. J. F. Probst as Superintendent of Missions, to canvass this State in the interests of our Church, at a salary of twelve hundred dollars per year, he to pay his own travelling expenses, and to give Synod the benefit of all collections made in his field of labor. As he did not desire a horse and buggy to be furnished him, as voted by Synod, that expense was avoided. Permission was granted Bro. Probst to visit Atlanta (Ga.) Mission, at the expense of the Georgia Synod; and also to be absent about two months to arrange his private interests in Pennsylvania, and remove his family to this State; during such absence he was to forfeit his salary for the time consumed. He was also allowed to take the German Lutheran congregation, at Walhalla, under his supervision, on condition that the salary paid him by said congregation, for the time of service, is to be deducted from the amount agreed to be paid for his services as Superintendent of Missions. As Bro. Probst is present, and prepared to report his operations in the field of his labors, it is unnecessary to anticipate his statements, to which your attention will be called in due time.

The Dead Fall Mission has been cared for by Newberry Conference for nearly three years. At the last meeting of Conference, it was voted that the Ministers of Conference should raise collections to aid in building a church, as soon as the people at Dead Fall raise four hundred dollars for that purpose. The prospect is bright for a "house of God," to be erected at that place at no distant day.

Bro. Probst tenders his resignation as Superintendent of Missions. We submit his letter for your consideration.

H. W. KUHNS,
Chairman of Executive Committee.

It was then

Resolved, That Rev. J. F. Probst be retained as the Pastor of the German congregations organized by him, and also to look after the interests of the Germans in this State, at a salary of three hundred dollars.

It was

Resolved, That all the English Mission points, in the bounds of this Synod, be referred to the different Conferences in whose bounds they are located.

The following Executive Committee was elected: Revs. H. W. Kuhns, J. A. Sligh, H. S. Wingard, and Messrs. W. W. Houseal, O. L. Schumpert, U. B. Whites, and H. S. Boozer.

Resolved, That Rev. J. D. Bowles be appointed to preach the missionary sermon at the next meeting of this Synod, and Rev. Z. W. Bedenbaugh be his alternate.

Mr. T. W. Holloway made the following report, which was adopted:

The Committee to whom was referred the report and vouchers of the Treasurer of the Missionary Fund, beg leave to report, that they have carefully examined the debits and credits of the same, and find them correct, and all payments properly vouched for.

THOS. W. HOLLOWAY,
A. BERLEY,
D. I. EPTING,
} *Committee.*

U. B. WHITES, TREASURER OF MISSIONARY SOCIETY, IN ACCOUNT WITH THE SYNOD OF SOUTH CAROLINA.

1874.		Dr.	Cr.
Oct. 24.—	To Cash received from former Treasurer	$272 00	
" "	To Cash received at Synod	386 15	
" 27.—	By Cash paid Rev. J. F. Probst		201 05
" 29.—	To Cash received, sundry contributions	4 90	
Dec. 1.—	To Cash received from P. E. Wise,	325 00	
" " " " "	Interest	15 70	
" 2.—	By " paid Rev. J. F. Probst		100 00
1875.			
Feb. 25.—	To Cash received from Rev. J. F. Probst, sundry contributions,	41 25	
Jan. 9.—	By Cash paid Rev. J. F. Probst		25 00
" 27.—	" " " " "		100 00
Feb. 25.—	" " " " "		75 00
April 1.—	" " " " "		100 00
May 20.—	To Cash received from former Treasurer, am't of Note, &c.	110 19	
" 27.—	To Cash received from Rev. J. F. Probst, sundry contributions,	41 37	
" 27.—	By Cash paid Rev. J. F. Probst		200 00
Aug. 20.—	" " " " "		25 00
Sept. 7.—	" " " " "		50 00
" 29.—	" " " " "		50 00
Oct. 13.—	" " " " "		175 00
" "	To Cash received from Rev. J. F. Probst, sundry contributions,	33 95	
	By balance		129 46
		$1,230 51	$1,230 51

U. B. WHITES,
Treasurer of Missionary Society.

FOR FOREIGN MISSIONS.

1874.			
Oct. 13.—	To Cash from Rev. T. W. Dosh's charge	50 00	
" "	To Cash from Rev. J. P. Smeltzer's charge	5 00	
	By Cash paid Martin Buehler		55 00
		$55 00	$55 00

The report of the Rev. J. A. Sligh, Secretary of the Board of Trustees of Newberry College, was taken up, and referred to a committee—they to report on Monday.

Committee: Rev. J. F. Probst, S. S. Rahn, and Mr. T. W. Holloway.

Mr. O. L. Schumpert made the following report, which was received and adopted:

To the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of South Carolina:

The undersigned, appointed as a Committee of one at the last Session of Synod, to confer with Major John P. Kinard relative to his financial obligation with the Newberry College Fund, and Widow's Fund, reports as follows:

1st. Your Committee has attended to the matters entrusted to it, as far as practicable, under the circumstances.

2d. No evidence has been brought to light upon which it would be safe or judicious to base a civil prosecution, as all papers and evidences of indebtedness, even the bonds, seem to have been lost, mislaid, or destroyed, during the war. If the bond of Adam G. Summer, with sureties, in the sum of fourteen hundred dollars, is now in the possession or under the control of Synod, it is possible that something may be realized therefrom. According to the admission of Major John P. Kinard, at his last accounting with this body as Treasurer, he was a creditor of same to the amount of about three hundred dollars. It is, therefore, recommended that unless some material evidence can be furnished your Committee, it is useless to prosecute the matter further.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

O. L. SCHUMPERT, *Committee.*

On motion, Mr. O. L. Schumpert was retained as counsel by the Synod, relative to the matter referred to in his report.

On motion, permission was granted Rev. J. I. Miller to present the claims of Staunton Female Seminary to this Synod, on Monday.

Synod adjourned. Prayer by Rev. G. W. Holland.

SUNDAY EXERCISES.

At 10 o'clock, A. M., Prayer Meeting, conducted by Rev. E. Caughman.

At 11 o'clock, Altar Services, conducted by Rev. T. W. Dosh, D. D., and the Ordination Sermon preached by Rev. J. F. Probst, from Matt. xxviii. 20.

Messrs. E. A. Wingard and John B. Haskell were then

solemnly ordained and fully set apart to the holy office of the Christian Ministry, according to the formula contained in the book of worship. This service was performed by the Ministerial officers of Synod, assisted by the following brethren: Revs. J. P. Smeltzer, D. D., J. H. Honour, Edwin A. Bolles, H. S. Wingard, and J. F. Probst.

Rev. J. Austin preached in the Academy building near by, from Isaiah, xxxv., 8th, 9th and 10th verses.

The Lord's Supper was administered to the members of Synod, and a large number of the disciples of Christ.

After recess, Synod met in the interests of the Sunday-school. Addresses were delivered by several of the Sunday-school scholars, after which an appropriate address was made by Rev. J. I. Miller, of the Virginia Synod.

FOURTH SESSION.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 18TH, 9 O'CLOCK, A. M.

Synod met, and was opened with singing and prayer by Rev. T. W. Dosh, D. D.

Rev. J. F. Probst read the Report of Committee on Report of Secretary of Board of Trustees of Newberry College, which was laid on the table for the present.

The College Board obtained permission to withdraw for a few minutes.

The Committee on Letters Nos. 7 and 8, made the following Report, which was adopted:

The Committee on Letters Nos. 7 and 8, beg leave to report as follows:

First—Letter number seven is a petition from the German Evangelical Lutheran Church, of Lower Longcane, in the County of Abbeville, S. C., asking to be received into connection with this Synod.

Second—Letter number eight is a similar application from St. John's German Evangelical Lutheran Church, of Newberry County, S. C., asking to be received into connection with this Synod.

We with much pleasure recommend that the above Churches be received into full connection with this Synod, and that the Synod endeavor to secure pastoral services for them.

REV. EDWIN A. BOLLES,
" A. D. L. MOSER,
MR. C. EHRHARDT,
} *Committee.*

Committee on Letters Nos. 3 and 4, reported as follows :

Your Committee on Letters Nos. 3 and 4, respectfully report that No. 3 is a communication from Rev. J. J. Miller, of Mississippi Synod, in reply to Rev. H. W. Kuhns, our delegate to that Synod, in which he expresses the hearty wish that a regular interchange of delegates might be had. There are fraternal feelings existing in the two bodies, and they are exceedingly anxious that those feelings might be full. We recommend that a reciprocation of feeling be had by us toward them.

No. 4 is a letter from Rev. B. F. Berry, enclosing one dollar for Synodical fund. He also begs to be excused for non-attendance at the present meeting of Synod, giving as an excuse the want of means to convey him to Synod. We recommend that this brother be excused.

Respectfully submitted,

A. W. LINDLER,
SAMUEL BOUKNIGHT,
J. A. BEDENBAUGH.

The report was adopted.

Committee on Letter No. 5 made the following report, which was adopted :

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON LETTER NO. 5.

We find said paper to be a communication from the General Superintendent of the Greenville and Columbia Railroad, extending to the members of this body the standing privilege of passing over his Road for half fare, in their attendance upon all future meetings of Synod, thus avoiding the necessity of annually corresponding with that officer on the subject. Your Committee suggest the following:

Resolved, That the thanks of this body be tendered to the General Superintendent of the Greenville and Columbia Railroad, for the courtesy specified in this communication, and that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to Mr. T. Dodamead.

Respectfully submitted,

J. H. BAILEY,
T. W. HOLLOWAY.
U. B. WHITES.

Committee on Widow's Fund made the following report, which was adopted ;

Committee to whom was referred the accounts of the Treasurer of Widow's Fund, respectfully report that the present Treasurer has no funds and accounts in his possession, therefore they can give no further information.

Respectfully submitted in behalf of the Committee.

JACOB F. SCHIRMER, *Chairman.*

The Committee on Revision of Parochial Table made their report, which was amended and adopted. (See Parochial Table.)

It was

Resolved, That the column for College Fund be included in the Parochial Table of the Minutes of this meeting of Synod, in addition to the columns for Beneficiary Education and Endowment Fund, but that it be hereafter omitted.

The Board of Trustess of Newberry College returned and made a report, which was received as information.

The report of the Committee on the report of the Secretary of the Board of Trustees of Newberry College, was now taken up, pending the discussion of which Synod adjourned for divine service.

Prayer by Rev. G. W. Holland.

At eleven o'clock, Dr. W. S. Bowman preached, by appointment at last Synod, a very interesting sermon on Education, from Mark iii, 14, after which the Synod and congregation were entertained with an eloquent address, by Rev. Prof. J. I. Miller, in behalf of Staunton Female Seminary, located at Staunton, Va.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

2 o'clock, P. M.

Synod met, and was opened with Prayer by Rev. S. S. Rahn.

Rev. Mark Boyd, of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, was introduced and invited to sit as an advisory member.

Rev. Prof. G. W. Holland was excused from the further Sessions of Synod, after to-day.

The report of Committee on report of the Secretary of the Board of Trustees of Newberry College, was again taken up, considered by items, amended, and adopted as follows:

The paper handed us for examination is the report of the Secretary of the Board of Trustees of Newberry College.

In view of the recommendations presented in this report, as well as in view of the sentiments expressed on the floor of Synod, we offer the following resolutions for the consideration of Synod at this time:

1. *Resolved*, That in consequence of pecuniary difficulties which now encompass the College, we refer the subject to a Special Committee of three, of which O. L. Schumpert, Esq.,

shall be Chairman, to take such steps as shall honorably relieve the Institution of all its liabilities.

2. *Resolved*, That an agent be appointed to canvass the field for the purpose of completing the Bachman Endowment Fund.

Respectfully submitted.

J. F. PROBST,
S. S. RAHN,
THOS. W. HOLLOWAY, } *Committee.*

Under Resolution first the following Committee was chosen: O. L. Schumpert, Esq., H. W. Kuhns, J. A. Sligh.

The report of the Secretary of Board of Trustees of Newberry College, was adopted, and reads as follows:

Report of Secretary of the Board of Trustees of Newberry College.

These reports have been read, year after year, before your honorable body. They are becoming more and more interesting to the Church as the institution of learning, whose work they design in setting forth, is increasing more and more as a power to assist the Church in her glorious mission. Through the severest trials and most embarrassing circumstances Newberry College has lived, and has not only lived, but has actually increased in strength, rising and prevailing slowly, but steadily, over the heads of all opposition. The number of students still continue to increase, and the professors become more and more efficient and self-denying in their arduous labors. Each commencement adds new strength and new life to the institution. The number of graduates has been swollen to twelve in all. Of this number four are at work in our Lutheran Zion, as ministers of the Gospel; two at our Theological Seminary, preparing for the same glorious work, and others are employed as teachers in colleges and of high schools. This little army has been sent out into different sections of our country, and being true to their mother, are her best advertisements. Four young men at last commencement graduated with honor to themselves, and with much credit to their professors.

There are at this time thirty-five students in the collegiate department, divided among the different classes as follows: Five Seniors, five Juniors, twelve Sophomores, and thirteen Freshmen. There are also in course of preparation for the next Freshmen Class about twenty students. During the first month of last year, after the opening of College, fifty-six names were entered upon the roll; for the same month this year we have the names of seventy-four students—an increase of eighteen. There were in connection with the institution during the whole of the past collegiate year one hundred and four students; if the number increases in the same proportion this year as it did

last, the College will have one hundred and thirty-seven students. Now many prophesied that so soon as the scholarship plan ran out, that parents, having to pay much higher tuition, would not return their sons to the institution. The scholarship plan has ceased, but instead of a decrease in number, we have an increase, which is another evidence that our College is on rising ground.

The following business of general interest to the Church was transacted by the Board of Trustees, at its sessions, held during last commencement week:

1. The College, so far as its financial arrangements are concerned, was put solely into the hands of the Professors.

2. Professor E. J. Dreher, principal of the preparatory department, tendered his resignation, which was accepted by the Board.

3. The Faculty was authorized by the Board to procure the services of some suitable person to fill the place made vacant by the resignation of Professor Dreher. We learn that Mr. D. B. Busby, a graduate of the institution, and an able and experienced teacher, has been called to fill said position, has already entered upon his duties, and is giving general satisfaction.

The greatest difficulty now lying in the way to the success of the College, is the want of endowment. But in order to raise anything like an adequate amount, the Synod must either forever abandon the present College, or pay its liabilities. If the former be done, then a charter for a College must be procured from the proper authorities, and the most suitable place selected as a location. After this, an active, working man, as agent, should be put into the field to canvass the whole Church in behalf of an endowment fund, which enterprise would evidently succeed, and the difficulty of endowment would be forever removed, and with it all other difficulties would vanish and other blessings follow.

In these times of centennials and semi-centennials, when others are raising their thousands and millions for institutions of learning, &c., let us, who are of the Church of the Reformation, who can boast of such a noble band of pious, learned, and self-denying men of the past and present, rear a monument to the memory of one of the purest, greatest, and best of men, the Rev. John Bachman, D. D. LL. D.; not a monument of marble or of brass, that stands without life or power to effect good, but let us lay the foundation of Christian principles that shall last through all time and to eternal days, and put in motion a stream of running, living water, from which our children and children's children may slake their thirst for knowledge, and which shall render more beautiful the garments of our beloved Zion, and cover with moral greenness and beauty our hills and valleys, our mountains and seaboard, and thus make glad the city of our God. Respectfully submitted,

J. A. SLIGH,
Secretary of Board of Trustees.

The following report of Committee on Seminary Fund, was read and adopted:

The Committee appointed to examine the report of Mr. J. F. Schirmer, Treasurer of Seminary Fund, beg leave to report that they have examined the same and find it correct. Proper vouchers for all moneys paid out by him accompany his report.

Respectfully submitted.

JUNIUS E. CHAPMAN.
S. L. SMITH.
DAVID KIBLER.

JACOB F. SCHIRMER, TREASURER, IN ACCOUNT WITH THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.

1874.	Dr.
October 1—Balance in hand as per account this date...	$ 61 15
" Received ½ year's interest on 6 S. C. R. R. Bonds	105 00
" Received ½ year's interest on Personal Bond of $810	53 66
1875.	
April—Received ½ year's interest on Personal Bond of $750	37 50
" Received ½ year's interest on 8 S. C. R. R. Bonds	140 00
May—Received 1 year's interest on Personal Bond of $2000	160 00
" Received 1 year's interest on Personal Bond of $1400	140 00
June—Received 1 year's interest on Personal Bond of $2700	270 00
July—Received 1 year's interest on Fire Loan Bonds of $1900	203 00
" Received 1 year's interest on N. E. R. R. Bonds of $1500	120 00
" Received 1 year's interest on Atlanta Bond of $1000 ($80 less ex.)	79 00
" Received ½ year's interest on Personal Bond of $250	12 50
" Received 1 year's dividend on 5 Shares Bank of Charleston	30 00
" Received 1 year's dividend on 40 Shares Gas Co.	80 00
" " 1 " " City Stock (less taxes)	22 00
August—Dividend received from Savings Bank	22 75
	$1,536 56

1874.	Cr.	
October—Paid Rev. Repass balance for last year	$ 87 25	
December—Paid Rev. Repass one qrs. salary and expenses	125 50	
1875.		
March—Paid Rev. Repass one qrs. salary and expenses	125 50	
June—Paid Rev. Repass one qrs. salary and expenses	125 50	
August—Paid Rev. Repass one qrs. salary and expenses	125 50	
" Paid for City Stock $150	84 00	
" Paid for 2 Shares in Union Bank	93 00	
" Loaned on Note with Collaterals	500 00	
Oct. 1—Paid Incidental Expenses past year	15 00	
" Balance on hand	255 31	
		$1,536 56

ASSETS.

One Personal Bond of $2000 at 8 per cent	$2000 00
One " " 1400 at 10 "	1400 00
One " " 2700 at 10 "	2700 00
One " " 810 at 12 "	810 00
One " " 250 at 10 "	250 00
One " " 750 at 10 "	750 00
Eight Bonds S. C. R. R. Bonds at 7 per cent	4000 00
Nine Fire Loan Bonds	2900 00
Three N. E. R. R. Bonds	1500 00
One Atlanta Bond	1000 00
City Six Per Cent. Stock (par)	650 00
Five Shares of Bank of Charleston (par)	500 00
Forty Shares in Gas Company (par)	1000 00
Dividend on Saving Institution Deposit	22 75
A. E. Miller's Bond for $1500.	
Sheppard's " 479.	
McFall's " 200.	
Meitze's " 100.	

It was, on motion of Mr. J. F. Schirmer,

Resolved, That hereafter the Treasurers of the different funds connected with this Synod, who may have any assets or specialties in their hands, be required, previous to every annual meeting of Synod, to submit such assets and specialties for examination to two members of the Church, to which each Treasurer is attached, they to examine the same and certify on the account current that all were produced as reported to Synod by said Treasurer.

The following Report was adopted:

The Committee appointed to examine the Report of the Treasurer of Synod, beg leave to report, that they find the same correct.

Respectfully submitted,

G. S. HACKER.
C. EHRHARDT.
J. SETZLER.

P. E. WISE, TREAS., IN ACCOUNT WITH SYNOD OF SOUTH CAROLINA.

1874.			Dr.
Oct.	15	—Cash on hand	$ 98 60
"	21	—Received at Synod Congregational Contributions	453 09
"	"	" for Beneficiaries	65 10
Dec.	31	— " Wentworth Street Luth. Church	17 00
"	"	" of W. Bensch's Bible Class	3 00
1875.			
Jan'y	16	— " Rev. T. W. Dosh, D. D., St. John's Church	17 00
"	18	— " H. S. Wingard	6 85
"	19	— " Z. W. Bedenbaugh	5 00
"	"	" Mrs. Fred. Muller	5 00
"	25	— " St. Michael Church	10 55
April	12	— " Bethlehem Church	12 15
"	20	— " Betheden Church	4 20
"	"	" St. Matthew's Church	5 80
"	21	— " Rev. B. Kreps	12 75
May	11	— " Laura Quarts	2 00
"	"	" Mount Calvary Church	3 00
"	"	" St. Peter's Church	2 40
"	"	" Luther Chapel, Leesville	5 00
June	7	— " Rev. H. Kuhns	6 70
			$735 19
		Balance due Treasurer	7 26
			$742 45

1874.			Cr.
Oct'r	15	—Paid Rev. E. A. Bolles, per order of Synod	$ 3 00
"	20	— " Rev. T. W. Dosh, D. D. per order of Synod	20 00
"	20	— " Rev. W. S. Bowman, D. D., per order of Synod	28 75
"	26	— " Beneficiaries	65 10
Dec'r	1	— " U. B. White, per order of Synod	325 00

1875.				
Jan'y	11—	"	Rev. J. P. Smeltzer, D. D., for Beneficiaries	20 00
"	"	"	Express on Money	25
"	18—	"	J. F. Schirmer, for Printing Minutes. .	147 50
Feb'y	26—	"	Rev. J. P. Smeltzer, D. D., for Beneficiaries	35 00
April	23—	"	Busby and Stoudemier, Beneficiaries...	34 90
"	"	"	Express on Money	50
May	15—	"	Busby and Stoudemier, Beneficiaries...	15 00
"	"	"	Express on Money	25
June	11—	"	Busby and Stoudemier, Beneficiaries. .	6 70
Oct'r	6—	"	Busby and Stoudemier, Beneficiaries...	40 00
"	"	"	Express on Money	50
				$742 45

Rev. H. W. Kuhns, Chairman of Committee on Minutes of last Synod, read the following Report, which was received, and considered by items:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MINUTES OF LAST SYNOD.

Your Committee respectfully report:

1. On page 1, the names of ministers are not recorded according to the date of ordination as required by our Constitution, Chapter VII, Article 4. Why was it not done so?

2. On page 14, it was resolved to appoint a Special Committee to correspond with the Committee of the General Synod, on the subject of the charter of General Synod and the Theological Seminary. Was the Committee appointed, and did they act as instructed?

3. Page 15, a Committee was appointed to draw up the bonds of the different Treasurers of Synod. Have they performed that duty?

4. Page 19. It was recommended that steps be taken to collect entire, or by compromise, certain bonds held by Synod as assets. Has it been done?

5. Page 20. O. L. Schumpert, Esq., was retained as counsel to prosecute certain claims of Synod. What progress has been made?

6. Page 23. Rev. J. H. Bailey was elected Corresponding Delegate to the Georgia Synod of 1875. Will he be able to act in said capacity?

7. Page 29. Was the report of Rev. J. F. Probst, our Superintendent of Missions, as submitted at last Synod, published in *Lutheran Visitor* as requested?

8. Did the Treasurer of Synodical Fund pay the Treasurer of the Missionary Fund the balance of fourteen dollars due the latter?

9. Have the delinquents paid their assessment to the Treasurer of Synod?

10. Were the funds in hand for Treasurer of Mission Funds forwarded as directed for the benefit of the Guntoon Mission.

11. Page 30. In answer to inquiries of report on former Minutes, it is said, Item III. will be attended to. What does it refer to, and has it been done?

12. Page 31. Did Rev. S. T. Hallman receive his traveling expenses as Corresponding Delegate to Georgia Synod?

13. Page 32. Was our quota paid towards expenses of publishing Minutes of General Synod in *Lutheran Visitor?*

14. Page 32. Were tributes to the memory of Rev. John Bachman, D. D. L. L. D., and Rev. W. A. Houck, prepared as directed by Synod.

15. Page 33. Did St. Stephen's, Providence, and Sandy Run constitute a pastorate during the past year?

16. Page 34. What has been done for the Bachman Endowment?

17. Page 34. Shall the Corresponding Secretary continue efforts to recover money loaned to young men who received aid and are not now in the ministry?

18. Page 34. Did the Treasurer of Synod require all beneficiaries to give refunding notes for money loaned them?

19. Page 35. Revs. J. A. Sligh, J. D. Shirey, and J. L. Derrick, Esq., were appointed a Committee on Pastoral Districts. Have they done anything during the year?

20. Page 36. Was report on State of Religion published in *Visitor?*

21. Page 41. Were the pledges redeemed?

22. Page 45. Were collections taken for our beneficiaries in all congregations?

23. Page 51. Has Orangeburg Conference supported the young man referred to?

Respectfully submitted,

H. W. KUHNS,
A. D. S. MOSER,
ADAM BERLEY, } *Committee.*

Item I. Because of sickness and death in the Secretary's family.

The Secretary was, on motion, excused and the following adopted:

Resolved, That all the ministers of Synod be required to furnish the Secretary the dates of their entrance upon the ministry, that he may make out the clerical roll according to such dates.

Item II. Yes.
Item III. Yes.
Item IV. Steps taken.
Item V. Report made and committee continued.
Item VI. Yes.
Item VII. Yes.
Item VIII. No.
Item IX. No.
Item X. Yes.
Item XI. Yes.
Item XII. Yes.
Item XIII. Yes.
Item XIV. Yes.
Item XV. Yes.
Item XVI. See Treasurer's Report of Endowment Fund.
Item XVII. *Resolved*, yes.
Item XVIII. Yes.
Item XIX. No business came before them.
Item XX. Yes.

Pending the Report, Synod adjourned. Prayer by Rev. H. S. Wingard.

FIFTH SESSION.

TUESDAY, October 19th, 9 o'CLOCK, A. M.

Synod met, and was opened with singing, and prayer by Rev. E. Caughman.

Roll was called, minutes of yesterday read, corrected, and approved.

Rev. H. W. Kuhns continued the reading of his report.

Item XXI. On motion, the roll was called, and the following pledges are unpaid:

Rev. E. Dufford, (self)	$ 5 00
" G. A. Hough's charge, Orangeburg, S. C.	30 00
" J. H. C. Schierenbeck, (self)	5 00
Mr. Wm. Haltiwanger, (self)	25 00
Capt. J. W. Sellers, (self)	25 00
Rev. L. Muller's charge	100 00
Rev. J. P. Margart, (for Georgia Synod)	25 00
Pastorate, No. 9	47 50
Pastorate, No. 7, Trinity Church	10 00

Pastorate, No. 3, Pine Grove Church	32 50
Rev. A. W. Lindler's charge, (St. John's, Calk's Road)	5 00
Rev. S. Bouknight's charge, (Mt. Calvary)	10 00
Pomaria charge	19 00

Rev. J. D. Bowles did not pledge, but paid $50.00.

Item XXII. Partially attended to.

Item XXIII. Yes.

The Report was adopted as a whole.

Rev. G. A. Hough read Report of Committee on Appropriations, which was received, and considered by items:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS.

Your Committee on Appropriations beg leave to make the following report:

1st. Is an application from Mr. L. E. Busby, a beneficiary at the Theological Seminary, for $73.24, due him from last year by Synod.

Your Committee recommend that he receive this amount.

2nd. Is an application from the widow of a deceased Lutheran Minister, for aid from this Synod.

Your Committee recommend that she receive from the Widow's Fund whatever amount the Treasurer may have on hand.

3d. Is an application from Mr. John Sheppard, a beneficiary at Newberry College, for aid from this Synod in the prosecution of his studies for the present scholastic year.

Your Committee recommend that an appropriation of $175.00 be made for him.

4th. Is an application from Mr. Wm. Stoudemier, also a beneficiary at Newberry College, for deficiency last year, $73,24; also, for aid this scholastic year.

Your Committee recommend that $175.00 be appropriated to him for the present year; and that he be paid $73.24 balance due for last year.

5th. Is an application from Mr. J. Q. Wertz, who is also at Newberry College, and who is desirous of studying for the ministry, asking for assistance from this Synod in the prosecution of his studies.

Your Committee recommend that $175.00 be appropriated to him.

6th. Is an application from Rev. Prof. S. A. Repass, for an appropriation from this Synod to aid in furnishing the recitation room in the Theological Seminary.

Your Committee recommend that $15.00 be appropriated for that purpose, by the Treasurer of the Seminary.

Respectfully submitted,

GEO. A. HOUGH,
S. BOUKNIGHT, } *Committee.*
D. KYZER.

Item I. Adopted.

Item II. Adopted.

Item III. Adopted.

Item IV. Adopted.

Item V. Pending the consideration of this item of the Report, Synod adjourned.

Prayer by Rev. J. H. Bailey.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

1 o'clock, P. M.

Synod met, and was opened with Prayer by Rev. Z. W. Bedenbaugh.

Item V. was taken up, and the following adopted:

Resolved, That the roll be called and pledges, both congregational and individual be made, to be paid by the 1st of January, 1876, for the support of beneficiaries for the present collegiate year.

The roll was called, and the following received:

Rev. Edwin A. Bolles	$5 00	Rev. H. S. Wingard's charge	10 00
Rev. W. S. Bowman's charge	25 00	Rev. E. A. Wingard	5 00
Rev. J. H. Bailey	5 00	Rev. J. B. Haskell	5 00
Rev. Z. W. Bedenbaugh	5 00	Capt. G. S. Hacker	5 00
Rev. S. Bouknight	5 00	Mr. J. I. Rauch	5 00
Rev. E. Caughman	6 00	Rev. J. D. Bowles	5 00
Rev. S. T. Hallman	10 00	Rev. J. I. Miller	5 00
Rev. J. H. Honour	10 00	Mr. A. I. Younginer	1 00
Rev. G. A. Hough	5 00	Mr. Jacob Setzler	1 00
Rev. H. W. Kuhn's charge	10 00	Mr. Adam Berley	5 00
Rev. D. Kyser	5 00	Major P. E. Wise	5 00
Rev. J. F. Probst	5 00	Mr. J. F. Schirmer	5 00
Rev. S. S. Rahn's charge	10 00	O. L. Schumpert, Esq	5 00
Rev. J. D. Shirey's "	15 00	Mr. T. W. Holloway	5 00
Rev. J. A. Sligh	10 00	Mr. R. T. C. Hunter (pd.)	5 00
Rev. J. P. Smeltzer (for College Faculty)	10 00	Miss Vida Day Bedenbaugh (paid)	1 00
		Mr. Fred'k H. Honour	5 00

Item V. was now adopted.

Item VI. was adopted, and the report adopted as a whole:

The following notice was given by Rev. H. W. Kuhns:

Notice of amendment to Article 5th, Chapter 14th, of Constitution: But should he continue faithful in the discharge of his duties, as a Lutheran minister, for *ten years*, his bonds shall be considered as cancelled. H. W. KUHNS.

Rev. E. Dufford and Mr. J. D. Keller were excused for non-attendance upon the present sessions of Synod. Mr. J. E. Chapman was excused from the sessions of to-day.

The Committee on President's Report reported as follows, which was received and considered by items:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PRESIDENT'S REPORT.

1. The first item in the President's report which claims our attention is the death of our esteemed brother in Christ, Rev. J. B. Lowman. Your Committee recommend the reference of this matter to a Committee on Memoirs.

2. The next item requiring specific action on the part of Synod is the Bible-work of our esteemed brother, Rev. Edwin A. Bolles. Wherefore,

Resolved, That this Synod, as an integral part of that Christian denomination which God chose as the instrument to restore His pure word to the people, rejoice in the continued success of this great work, and commend Bro. Bolles, as heretofore, to the confidence and sympathy of our Churches.

3. The matter of discipline relating to Rev. J. H. C. Schierenbeck is respectfully referred to the Ministerium.

4. Under the head of suggestions, your Committee recommend the following:

1. Resolved, That any Lutheran Minister who shall locate within the bounds of this Synod during the interim of its sessions, and shall deposit in the hands of its President clear credentials from another Lutheran Synod, shall be considered a member of this body without any further process than his reception by the President, and shall be entitled to all the privileges and subject to all requirements of this body.

2. Resolved, That any minister who is neither a pastor of a congregation nor a member of conference, may be disciplined, if necessary, under Chapter III, Section 4, of the Constitution, provided the offence be specific. If the charge be only "by notorious rumor or common fame," the *President*, instead of "the Conference to which he belongs," shall proceed in the matter.

Respectfully submitted,

W. S. BOWMAN.
EDWIN A. BOLLES.
P. E. WISE.

Item I. Adopted, and the following Committee was appointed: Revs. J. H. Bailey, S. Bouknight and E. Caughman.

Item II. Adopted.

Item III. Adopted.

Item IV. Adopted, and the report adopted as a whole.

Rev. Z. W. Bedenbaugh read the following, which was received and considered by items:

REPORT ON LETTERS NOS. 6 AND 9.

No. 6 is a petition from St. Stephen's Church, Lexington, C. H., S. C., inviting this body to hold its next Annual Convention in their church. We recommend their cordial invitation to the consideration of Synod.

No. 9 is a letter from Messrs. J. J. Lown and J. H. Boozer, asking a compromise on a note of S. W. Boozer, deceased, whose estate is insolvent.

Z. W. BEDENBAUGH,
P. DERRICK,
D. I. EPTING,
} *Committee.*

Item I. Adopted.

Item II. Referred to Attorneys.

Report was adopted as a whole.

The Committee on Report of Endowment Treasurer made the following, which was adopted:

Your Committee appointed to examine the Report of the Treasurer of the Endowment Fund, beg leave to say that they have carefully examined the debits, credits, and vouchers, and find the same correct, except that the Treasurer, has charged to himself eleven and 47-100 dollars, more than he received. Your committee recommend that the Treasurer be authorized by Synod to credit himself with said amount.

U. B. WHITES, *Chairman.*
A. I. YOUNGINER,
J. A. MOYER.

O. L. SCHUMPERT, IN ACCOUNT WITH REV. J. P. SMELTZER, D. D., PRESIDENT NEWBERRY COLLEGE, S. C.

RECEIPTS.		CREDITS.	
Pledges made at Synod of 1873:		1874—November:	
Rev. H. S. Wingard's charge..	$75 00	Rev. J. P. Smeltzer.....	$335 00
" J. A. Sligh's "	75 00		
" H. W. Kuhn's "	35 00		
" W. S. Bowman's "	45 00		
" Wertz's "	35 00		
"Sandy Run Charge".....	25 00		
O. L. Schumpert. Esq., (self)...	25 00		
Rev. J. H. Honour, (self).....	10 00		
" B. Krep's charge.....	10 00		
	$335 00		

PLEDGES MADE AT SYNOD OF 1874.

Receipts:

Captain George S. Hacker, (self)	$20	00
Rev. J. F. Probst, (self)	10	00
" J. H. Honour, (self)	25	00
" Lewis Müller's (Sunday-school)	37	50
Mr. George Leonhirth (self) school	20	00
" U. B. White's (Newville Sunday-school)	22	40
Rev. A. R. Rude's D. D., charge	30	00
Mr. Adam Berley, Liberty Hill charge	12	50
Rev. J. D. Shirey's charge	20	00
" H. W. Kuhns (self)	15	00
" Hough, Pastorate No. 9	12	50
" T. W. Dosh's, D. D., charge	50	00
Sandy Run charge	30	00
Walhalla charge	75	00
By Letter	50	00
Collection at Synod, Orangeburg, 1874	30	00
Rev. J. D. Shirey's charge, St. Matthew's	18	00
" " " per brother Holland	11	00
" Edwin A. Bolles, (self)	5	00
		$493 90

CREDITS—1874-75.

Rev. J. P. Smeltzer, (at different times)	$499 00

O. L. SCHUMPERT, IN ACCOUNT WITH THE BACHMAN ENDOWMENT FUND OF NEWBERRY COLLEGE.

Received through Bachman Endowment envelopes, from different congregations, and persons, and at various times	$851 85

Respectfully submitted,
O. L. SCHUMPERT,
B. E. T. N. C., So. Ca.

October 15th, 1875.

The following was adopted:

The Committee designated by this Synod to examine beneficiaries at the Annual Commencement of the College, beg leave to report, that they held a colloquium with Messrs. L. E. Busby, Wm. Studenmire, Wilson, Aull, and Shepherd, and also with a Mr. Hawkins, who is as yet sustaining himself, and all of them gave satisfactory evidence of piety and progress.

Respectfully submitted,
W. S. BOWMAN, *Chairman.*

On motion of O. L. Schumpert, Esq., it was

Resolved, That the names of all persons, with the amounts contributed, who have contributed to the Bachman Endowment, be published from week to week in the *Visitor*, until all shall have been published.

It was

Resolved, That the thanks of this Synod are due, and are hereby tendered to the congregation of St. Luke's Church, and all persons in this community, for their kindness and attention to the members of Synod during our stay in their midst.

The following notice was given: Notice is hereby given that, at next meeting of Synod, I will propose a change of Part II., Article 7, of the Constitution of Synod. H. W. KUHNS.

On motion of Rev. J. D. Shirey, it was

Resolved, That the Recording Secretary be authorized to make arrangements hereafter, previous to his coming to Synod, for the publication of the Minutes of Synod, immediately after the adjournment of the Body.

The Report of Committee on State of Religion was read and adopted.

Report on the State of Religion.

A few extracts from the several reports on the State of Religion, may give a satisfactory view of the general subject as connected with our Synodical work.

One brother in a city congregation reports: "Our congregations are large, our people united, our Sunday-school prosperous, our hopes buoyant, and our hearts grateful."

Another: "The spirit of true devotion seems to pervade the mass of the congregation, and a yearning after greater attainments in the divine life is apparent." Again: "A class of catechumens was raised, which was a new feature in the congregation, and was greatly approved by all. The entire class united with the church, and are well versed in the doctrines we cherish."

Another reporting the results of a protracted service, says: Twelve were added to the Church, difficulties of long standing have been buried, and confidence restored." "I trust they will prove faithful to God."

Another: "During the past year we have built a parsonage, and, best of all, have but little due on it; what is due is already subscribed, and will be paid. The Sunday-school is flourishing, and every scholar, who can, is studying Luther's Catechism. Attendance on public worship is good, though the pastor has cause to complain sometimes."

Another: "But whilst there is an increase in attendance, we regret the indifference of some of the membership; they are careful about many things, and do not take the interest in the church and its institutions they should."

Another: "My charge has been greatly blessed during the past year. The Lord has indeed done great things for us, whereof we are glad."

Another: "There has been good attention to the preached word during the past year."

Another: "The Lord seemed to smile upon our labors, and good attention was given to the preaching of the word, and some were added to the church."

Another: "The word preached has been owned and blessed of God. Our Sunday-schools though small, are accomplishing some good among the lambs of the flock. Our people are becoming better acquainted with the doctrines of the church, and our church service is perhaps better appreciated. In point of liberality, a few exhibit a commendable spirit, but the majority are wofully deficient in this department of Christian duty."

Another: "The Sunday School has been very interesting indeed. We have introduced Quarterly Sunday School Concerts during the year. These have given additional interest to our School. I have also adopted a plan of systematic pastoral visiting, going from house to house. I find it an excellent plan of increasing the interest of my people in Church matters. It has also been a means of adding some regular attendants on Sunday. The *Lutheran Visitor* has been sustained by my people, one-fifth of the entire number reported now taking it."

Another writes: "I have some good, zealous members, and others who are not so pious nor liberal. My congregations are generally large and attentive. As the result of a meeting of four days' continuance, in one of my congregations, ten were added to the Church. By a similar meeting of five days continuance, in another congregation, twenty-seven members were received."

Another writes; "We cherish the hope from the serious attention given to the administration of the word and sacraments, and from the flourishing Sabbath School which has been established by a few energetic and faithful teachers, that there is a decided improvement in the charge since we accepted it."

Another: "Our Sunday School is small, but under our faithful Superintendent is attended with marked interest. I have had a Bible class this year, composed of an encouraging number of the young people of my charge."

Another: "If large attendance on the means of grace is a proof of a spiritual improvement, we have much reason to be encouraged. The interest manifested in the Sabbath School, in some of the Churches, is also encouraging, whilst in others it is very much neglected."

Another: "We have had much to encourage us in our labors; perfect harmony and unanimity pervade the entire charge. We have had many evidences of appreciation of our labors."

Another: "We have had trials to contend with, and burdens to bear, but from all the Lord has mercifully delivered us, and we are yet enabled to ride above the waves. * * * All in all, we can truthfully say the Lord has been merciful to us; we

are moving onward, and we are endeavoring to keep the unity of the spirit in the bond of peace."

Another: "During the past year the two Churches, composing my charge, have made some progress in pushing forward the great and good work of the Church.

"The children of the Sabbath School, so soon as they become old enough, apply for confirmation. We have added to our membership no less than twenty of this kind during the past synodical year.

"We do not teach our people to boast of their Church, but we do try to teach them that God has favored her with his smiles and blessings, that they should feel proud of her history, her deeds of piety, her men of learning and devotion of the past and present, of her glorious Bible doctrines, set forth in her noble confession, and that she, the Lutheran Church, affords them a home of peace and a shelter from the stormy blast. In this our labor has not been in vain in the Lord. Taking all things into consideration, we are happy to announce that at no time during a ministerial connection with the charge of ten years, has it been in so prosperous a condition."

Other portions of these reports show a gratifying growth in Church love, as evidenced in an increased attention to the outward arrangements of the congregations, such as the improvement of Church buildings, the erection of parsonages, and the more prompt payment of pastors' salaries. There has also been a more enlarged liberality on the part of our people toward the benevolent objects of the Church.

From these extracts we feel assured that God is still "prospering the work of our hands," and should be constrained to increase our diligence "in every good word and work," "knowing that our work and labor are not in vain in the Lord."

T. W. DOSH.
PAUL DERRICK.
J. I. RAUCH.

The following was read, received, considered by items, and adopted as a whole:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PASTORAL DISTRICTS.

The only paper submitted to your Committee is a petition from the Council of Good Hope Church, in Pastorate No. 6, asking permission to withdraw from the said pastorate, and permit the aforesaid Church alone to constitute a pastorate.

Your Committee recommend:

I. That the petition be read before Synod.

II. Whereas, the evidence before us is that the whole charge, as now constituted, is not able to give more salary than is requisite for the support of a single pastor, we deem it inadvisable to divide the pastorate at the present time.

We therefore recommend that the prayer of your petitioners be not granted.

Respectfully submitted,

J. D. SHIREY,
J. H. W. WERTZ,
B. KREPS.

On motion, it was

Resolved, That the Secretary be authorized to have one thousand copies of blank certificates of attendance upon the sessions of Synod, printed for the use of Synod.

The following Committee was appointed to nominate the Board of Trustees of Newberry College: Revs. J. H. Bailey, J. D. Shirey, and Mr. U. B. Whites.

On motion of Rev. W. S. Bowman, D. D., the following was adopted:

Resolved, That when this Synod adjourn, it adjourn to meet on *Tuesday* before the third Sunday in October, 1876, and that St. Stephen's Lutheran Church, Lexington C. H., S. C., be the place of meeting.

On motion of Rev. T. W. Dosh, D. D., it was

Resolved, That Rev. W. S. Bowman, D. D., be elected to preach the ordination sermon at next meeting of Synod, and that he be requested to repeat the excellent discourse delivered by him during our present session.

Upon the nomination of the Committee, the following Board of Trustees of Newberry College was elected: Rev. H. W. Kuhns, Rev. J. A. Sligh, Rev. W. S. Bowman, D. D., Rev. T. W. Dosh, D. D., Rev. G. A. Hough, Rev. H. S. Wingard, Rev. L. Muller, D. D., Dr. A. E. Norman, Hon. D. Bieman, Major P. E. Wise, Colonel J. J. Norton, Mr. William Haltiwanger, Mr. C. Ehrhardt, Major G. Leaphart, O. L. Schumpert, Esq., Mr. T. W. Holloway, Major H. A. Metze, and Mr. H. S. Boozer.

The following Delegates to the General Synod were elected:

CLERICAL.

Delegates.	*Alternates.*
Rev. W. S. Bowman, D. D.	Rev. T. W. Dosh, D. D.
Rev. J. A. Sligh.	Rev. H. W. Kuhns.
Rev. J. H. Honour.	Rev. A. W. Lindler.
Rev. J. P. Smeltzer, D. D.	Rev. Edwin A. Bolles.
Rev. H. S. Wingard.	Rev. J. D. Shirey.

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Delegates.	*Alternates.*
Capt. G. S. Hacker.	Mr. U. B. Whites.
O. L. Schumpert, Esq.	Mr. J. E. Chapman.
Maj. P. E. Wise.	Mr. Adam Berley.
Mr. T. W. Holloway.	Mr. H. S. Boozer.
Mr. J. F. Schirmer.	Mr. Wm. Haltiwanger.

Rev. Prof. G. W. Holland was elected Corresponding Delegate to the Virginia Synod, and Rev. W. S. Bowman, D. D., Alternate.

Rev. J. D. Bowles was elected Corresponding Delegate to the North Carolina Synod, and Rev. Edwin A. Bolles, Alternate.

Rev. S. S. Rahn was elected Corresponding Delegate to the Georgia Synod, and Rev. E. A. Wingard, Alternate.

It was,

Resolved, That this Synod pay the expenses of no more delegates to sister Synods.

Resolved, That one thousand three hundred copies of the Minutes of the present session be printed.

It was,

Resolved, That this Synod return its thanks to the officers of the South Carolina, Greenville and Columbia, Charlotte, Columbia and Augusta Railroads, for their courtesy in passing members and delegates over their respective roads for one fare.

Resolved, That an Examining Committee, consisting of five members, be appointed by the President. Committee: Revs. J. D. Shirey, T. W. Dosh, D. D., J. P. Smeltzer, D. D., W. S. Bowman, D. D., J. H. Honour.

Resolved, That in the event any delegate be unable to attend the meeting of the General Synod, he shall inform the chairman of the delegation, who shall notify the alternate having the highest number of votes, that he will be expected to fill the vacancy.

Rev. T. W. Dosh, D. D., offered a series of resolutions, relative to Newberry College, which were laid on the table until next Synod.

Rev. H. W. Kuhns was elected to preach the annual Sermon on Education at next meeting of Synod.

Rev. T. W. Dosh, D. D., read the Report of Committee on the report of Rev. Prof. S. A. Repass, which was received, considered by items and adopted as a whole.

REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON REPORT OF REV. PROF. S. A. REPASS.

The communication from our Theological Professor, conveys gratifying intelligence to this Body. The prospects of the Theological Seminary are truly cheering to every lover of our Church. Rejoicing in its prosperity, and desiring to reaffirm our earnest interest in it as an Institution first established by this Synod, and now largely supported from the fund in our keeping, as originally donated for its exclusive benefit,

Therefore be it,

1. *Resolved*, That we recognize the favoring providence of God in the present efficiency, and encouraging prospects of our Theological Seminary.

2. *Resolved*, That we regard this Institution as a true and lasting bond of union between all our Southern Synods, and now cordially invite those of our sister Synods not in connection with our General Synod, to unite with us in maintaining it in the highest possible degree of thoroughness in all its appointments for instruction in our Holy Faith.

3. *Resolved*, That we heartily approve of the present effort to endow another Chair in the Theological Seminary, so promisingly prosecuted by Bros. Wingard and Haskell, and desire to co-operate in this general effort, in so far as the pressing local claims of Newberry College will allow; a matter which, as to time and manner, we refer to the discretion and determination of our pastors and pastorates in their individual capacity.

4. *Resolved*, That we have undiminished confidence in Prof. Repass as an instructor in Theology.

T. W. DOSH, *Chairman of Committee.*

It was

Resolved, That we authorize the Treasurer of the Seminary Fund to pay to Rev. Prof. S. A. Repass, in quarterly instalments, the sum of $500 as the appropriation of this Synod to his salary.

SYNODICAL CONTRIBUTIONS.

Salem Church	$1 25
Dead Fall Missions	3 75
Rev. Z. W. Bedenbaugh's charge	8 60
" J. H. Bailey's charge	23 60
" G. A. Hough's charge	6 00
" J. D. Bowles charge	35 25
" J. H. W. Wertz's charge	17 25
" Levi Bedenbaugh's charge	47 60
" J. D. Shirey's charge	50 80
" H. W. Kuhns' charge	23 54
" Paul Derrick's charge	12 85
" A. W. Lindler's charge	4 50
" E. Caughman's charge	3 55
" D. Kyser's charge	11 10
" Samuel Bouknight's charge	11 70
" B. Kreps' charge	14 35
" T. W. Dosh, D. D., charge	25 00
" S. S. Rahn's charge	6 65
" J. A. Sligh's charge	15 00
" J. F. Probst's charge	3 00
" W. S. Bowman, D. D., charge	25 00
" S. T. Hallman's charge	27 10
" H. S. Wingard's charge	10 00
Total	$387 44

JACOB F. SCHIRMER IN ACCOUNT WITH THE SOCIETY FOR THE RELIEF OF THE WIDOWS AND ORPHANS OF ITS MINISTERS.

1874.	
Oct. 1.—Dr. Balance in hand as per last report	$92 67
1875.	
Jan. and July.—Rec'd dividend on 20 shares Gas Co.	40 00
1875.	
Oct.—Balance in hands	$132 67

ASSETS.

Bond of Rev. C. H. Bernheim, dated February 15, 1850, with interest per October, 1861	$625 00
Twenty shares in Gas Co., par value	450 00

The Minutes of to-day's proceedings were read and approved.

Synod was then closed by the President, according to our established formula, to meet at the time and place before specified.

SAMUEL T. HALLMAN,

Recording Secretary of the Synod of South Carolina and Adjacent States.

MINUTES OF THE MINISTERIUM.

FIRST SESSION.

St. Luke's Church, Newberry Co., S. C.,
October 14th, 1875.

The Ministerium met at one o'clock, P. M., and was opened with prayer by Rev. T. W. Dosh, D. D.

On motion, it was

Resolved, That we approve of the action of the President, Rev. H. S. Wingard, in receiving Rev. J. F. Probst, of the West Pennsylvania Synod, and Rev. S. S. Rahn, of the Georgia Synod, as members of this Ministerium, upon their credentials.

Adjourned, with the benediction by the President.

SECOND SESSION.

October 15—4 o'clock, P. M.

The Ministerium met, and was opened with prayer by Rev. J. D. Shirey.

The Minutes of the previous Session were read and confirmed.

Messrs. E. A. Wingard and J. B. Haskell, graduates of the Theological Seminary, having applied for ordination, it was

Resolved, That they be now examined, before this Ministerium, by the Committee.

After the close of the examination, the following Report was read, received and adopted:

The Committee appointed to examine Messrs. E. A. Wingard and J. B. Haskell, applicants for ordination, report that they have performed the duty assigned them, and recommend their ordination.

J. P. SMELTZER,
T. W. DOSH,
W. S. BOWMAN,
H. W. KUHNS,
J. F. PROBST.
} *Committee.*

It was, on motion,

Resolved, That the Ordination Sermon be preached on Sunday morning at 11 o'clock, A. M., and that Bros. Wingard and Haskell be ordained to the Holy Ministry immediately after the close of the sermon.

Rev. J. F. Probst was appointed to preach the Ordination Sermon.

Adjourned with prayer by Rev. J. F. Probst.

THIRD SESSION.

TUESDAY, 5 O'CLOCK, P. M.

The Ministerium met, and was opened with prayer by Rev. J. H. W. Wertz.

Minutes of the previous session were read and approved.

On motion of Rev. T. W. Dosh, D. D., the following was adopted:

1. *Resolved*, That it appearing from incontestable evidence now placed before us by the President of Synod, that Rev. J. H. C. Schierenbeck has been guilty of unministerial and immoral conduct, we as a Ministerium, moved by a stern sense of duty to God and His Church, do now suspend the said Rev. J. H. C. Schierenbeck from the office of the Christian Ministry.

2. *Resolved*, That this our official action be published in our Church papers, English and German.

Adjourned. Prayer by Rev. Paul Derrick.

SAMUEL T. HALLMAN,
Recording Secretary of Ministerium.

PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

MIEISTERS REPORTING.	No of Congregations.	Children Baptized.	Members received by			Dismissions.	Suspensions.	Excommunications.	Restorations.	Communicants.	Death of Members.	Prayer Meetings.	Sunday Schools	Teachers.	Scholars.	Synodical Fund.	Home Missions	Beneficiary Education.	College Fund.	Local Objects.	Salary Promised.	Salary Due.	No. of Pastorate.
			Baptism.	Confirmation.	Certificate.																		
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Rev. J. H. Bailey	3	15	...	10	2	...	...	...	...	318	4	1	2	26	88	23 60	6 60	.....	17 20	$435 00	500 00	250 00	4
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NOTE.—No reports from Rev. L. Muller, D. D., and Rev. D. P. Camman.

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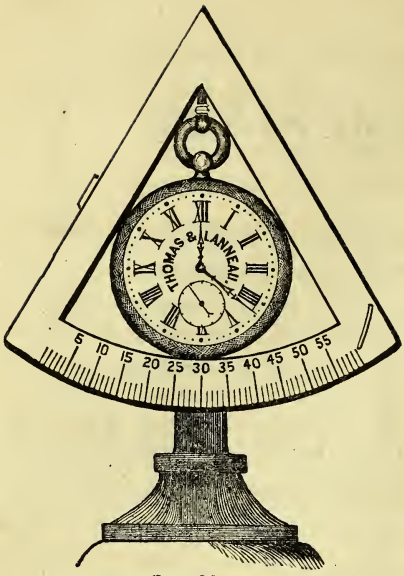

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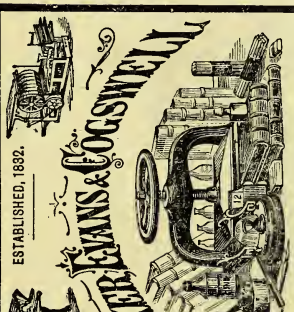

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